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Dear Mrs. Sulima *J. Sul*

Thank you for forwarding a copy of your letter to Senator John Heinz. You have reviewed the work plan carefully and your comments reflect considerable attention to detail.

Residential well sampling, as outlined in the Work Plan, may be conducted in May and November, with an additional two rounds done at a later date. My experience in Superfund has shown that these plans are flexible enough so changes or additions can be made during the evaluation process. More sampling may indeed be necessary, but I suggest that the planned sampling be done and evaluated first.

The shale pit will be observed during the Remedial Investigation to detect any possible unusual surface water characteristics.

Risk assessment is difficult at best. The Department will provide EPA with any data it may need to assist in preparing an adequate risk assessment.

The decision on a health survey is up to EPA, the Centers for Disease Control or the Pennsylvania Department of Health.

The Department will attempt to provide any and all data and information on the site to EPA or AT&T and their contractors. This information can be "plugged in" to the investigation at any point of the RI/FS. There have been instances where the files have not been available at any one certain time due to staff limitations. I will insure that all files we have are made available to EPA.

I realize that this site has been a constant worry for you and all the other residents. The Department will cooperate in any fashion EPA deems appropriate during the RI/FS. This site will be cleaned up under the Federal Superfund program with input and active participation from citizens such as yourself. It is not always an easy or smooth process, but the framework for public input is there for you and other citizens to assist EPA make the best decisions possible.

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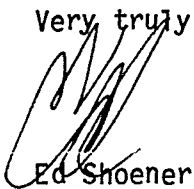
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Thank you again for sharing this letter with the Department. I wish you well and hope that you will continue to play an active role in cleaning up this site.

Very truly yours,



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Regional Environmental  
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